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Our Case No.: 163/49

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GEOFFREY M. GLASS, JR.

Serial No.: 10/718,480

Filing Date: November 19, 2003

For: MEDIALY STABILIZED LIQUID
SURGE SUPPRESSOR

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Group Art Unit No.: 3753

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

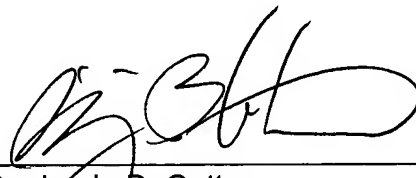
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

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Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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In re Appln. of: Geoffrey M. Glass, Jr.

Appln. No.: 10/718,480

Filed: November 19, 2003

For: Medially Stabilized Liquid Surge Suppressor

Attorney Docket No: 163/49

Examiner: To Be Assigned

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- [X] Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate), Form PTO-1449, and six (6) cited references (A1-A6).
- [X] Return Receipt Postcard

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Total		Minus			x \$9=			x \$18=	
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First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$145=			+\$290=	
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Date

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Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin B. Cotton (Reg. No. 54,050)



FORM PTO-1449	SERIAL NO. 10/718,480	CASE NO. 163/49
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REFERENCE DESIGNATION

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
	A1	D469,846	2/4/2003	Spickelmire		6/21/2002
	A2	5,890,618	4/6/1999	Spickelmire		5/6/1998
	A3	6,308,856	10/30/2001	Spickelmire		12/31/1998
	A4	6,375,030	4/23/2002	Spickelmire		3/22/2000
	A5	6,431,388	8/13/2002	Spickelmire et al.		1/15/2002
	A6	6,547,090	4/15/2003	Spickelmire et al.		3/19/2001
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